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NOTE FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence
Deputy Director for Science and Technology
National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs
National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces
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Director of Soviet Analysis
Director of Scientific and Weapons Research
Director of Global Issues
Chairman, Arms Control Intelligence Staff

FROM:

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Special Assistant for Nuclear Proliferation
Intelligence

SUBJECT: SAC Briefing on Third Party Nuclear Threats

You are invited to the subject briefing (see details in attachment) that is being presented by SAC at Chairman, NIC's request. Please notify [Redacted] if you plan to attend. (Production offices are requested not to exceed the number of attendees indicated in the attachment.)

Attachment:
Briefing Announcement



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Briefing Announcement

SUBJECT: "Soviet and US Tactical Warning/Attack
Characterizstion Capabilities in the Face
of a Third Party Nuclear Threat"

PRESENTED BY: Jointly, the Offutt Intelligence Complex
(Soviet capabilities) and the SAC Deputy
Chief of Staff for Space, Warning and
Surveillance Systems (US capabilities)

DATE: Wednesday, 24 February 1982, 1030 hours,
Room 6E13

CLASSIFICATION
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BACKGROUND: "At my request last spring, General Richard
Ellis, then Commander of the Strategic
Air Command, undertook the evaluation of
the possibility of a third party triggering
a superpower nuclear exchange under a variety
of scenarios. Unfortunately, this evaluation
showed that there are real and developing
dangers in this area." (Senator Sam Nunn,
"Arms Control: What We Should Do," Washington
Post, 12 November 1981)

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DDS&T - 2
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NIO/USSR-EE - 1
SOVA - 4
OSWR - 6
OGI - 2
ACIS - 1
Plus representatives from various NFIB agencies

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